

Air Force nomination of Lesa M. Wagner.
Air Force nomination of Francis D. Pombar.

Air Force nomination of Alan T. Parmater.
Army nomination of Michael P. Vinlove.
Army nominations beginning Donald A. Black and ending Debra S. Long, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 14, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Douglas B. Ashby and ending Terry C. Washam, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Curtis J. Alitz and ending Marshall F. Willis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Debra E. Burr and ending Janice B. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Lionel Baker and ending Warren S. Wong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Navy nominations beginning John A. Adcock, Jr. and ending Joseph Zuliani, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Navy nominations beginning Michael C. Beckett and ending Robert S. Thompson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Navy nominations beginning James C. Taylor and ending Jeffery S. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Navy nomination of Jeffrey D. Dickson.
By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Dora L. Irizarry, of New York, to be the United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

William K. Sessions III, of Vermont, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2009.

David L. Huber, of Kentucky, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterick were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. CHAFEE, and Mr. REED):

S. 1798. A bill to provide for comprehensive fire safety standards for upholstered furniture, mattresses, bedclothing, and candles; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1799. A bill to encourage the development and promulgation of voluntary consensus standards by providing relief under the anti-trust laws to standards development organizations with respect to conduct engaged in for the purpose of developing vol-

untary consensus standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. CORZINE):

S. 1800. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to enhance literacy in finance and economics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 1801. A bill to promote the economic security and safety of victims of domestic and sexual violence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON:

S. 1802. A bill to amend the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and other Acts to improve housing programs for Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs pursuant to the order of May 27, 1988, to the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs for a period not to exceed 60 days.

By Mr. ENZI:

S. 1803. A bill to expand the applicability of daylight saving time; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BREAUX (for himself, Mr. LOTT, and Mr. HOLLINGS):

S. 1804. A bill to reauthorize programs relating to sport fishing and recreational boating safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. FITZGERALD):

S. Res. 255. A resolution supporting the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc., of Galesburg, Illinois, in its endeavor to erect a monument known as the National Railroad Hall of Fame; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. Con. Res. 78. A concurrent resolution condemning the repression of the Iranian Baha'i community and calling for the emancipation of Iranian Baha'is; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 168

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 168, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the San Francisco Old Mint.

S. 420

At the request of Mr. EDWARDS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 420, a bill to provide for the acknowledgement of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and for other purposes.

S. 557

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to amend the Internal

Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received on account of claims based on certain unlawful discrimination and to allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards received on account of such claims, and for other purposes.

S. 566

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 566, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for Alzheimer's disease research and demonstration grants.

S. 623

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 623, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 632

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 632, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand coverage of medical nutrition therapy services under the medicare program for beneficiaries with cardiovascular disease.

S. 894

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 894, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 230th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps, and to support construction of the Marine Corps Heritage Center.

S. 950

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 950, a bill to allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

S. 976

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 976, a bill to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate

the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

S. 1180

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1180, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the work opportunity credit and the welfare-to-work credit.

S. 1246

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1246, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 1298

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1298, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to ensure the humane slaughter of non-ambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 1379

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1379, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 1595

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow small business employers a credit against income tax with respect to employees who participate in the military reserve components and are called to active duty and with respect to replacement employees and to allow a comparable credit for activated military reservists who are self-employed individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 1664

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1664, a bill to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to provide for the enhanced review of covered pesticide products, to authorize fees for certain pesticide products, and to extend and improve the collection of maintenance fees.

S. 1736

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1736, a bill to promote simplification and fairness in the administration and collection of sales and use taxes.

S. 1780

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1780, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify the defini-

tion of anabolic steroids and to provide for research and education activities relating to steroids and steroid precursors.

S. 1794

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1794, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on electron guns for cathode ray tubes (CRT's) with a high definition television screen aspect ratio of 16:9 and other parts used in plasma and LCD televisions.

S. 1795

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1795, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure with respect to bail bond forfeitures.

S. CON. RES. 73

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 73, a concurrent resolution expressing the deep concern of Congress regarding the failure of the Islamic Republic of Iran to adhere to its obligations under a safeguards agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency and the engagement by Iran in activities that appear to be designed to develop nuclear weapons.

S. CON. RES. 75

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 75, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued to promote public awareness of Down syndrome.

S. RES. 202

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 202, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the genocidal Ukraine Famine of 1932-33.

S. RES. 244

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 244, a resolution congratulating Shirin Ebadi for winning the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize and commending her for her lifetime of work to promote democracy and human rights.

AMENDMENT NO. 1966

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1966 proposed to H.R. 2800, a bill making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1977

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from New York

(Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1977 proposed to H.R. 2800, a bill making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. CHAFEE and Mr. REED):

S. 1798. A bill to provide for comprehensive fire safety standards for upholstered furniture, mattresses, bedclothing, and candles; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, this Congress has worked towards providing the brave men and women who fight fires the funds and material to better perform their crucial tasks. We all saw brave members of the fire service sacrifice their lives to rescue people from the World Trade Center. But we do not see firefighters in every town in America risking their lives every day to save lives and homes from the ravages of fire. I lost a home to a severe fire, and I saw the herculean efforts of my local firefighters to save it. Too many people die or suffer grievous injuries from home fires. During a recent visit with the firefighters from my home State of South Carolina, they told me that in spite of their best efforts, nearly 40 people die each year from home fires.

In my conversations with fire services across the country, I hear two things. First, the departments need funds for equipment and training. With the Firefighter Investment and Response Enhancement grant program, we are on our way to getting these people the resources they need to do their job. There is more work to do, but this grant program is a start. Second, and most troubling, is that the best-equipped and best-trained fire departments cannot out race most home fires.

A recent FEMA-commissioned study from the National Fire Protection Association reported that 65 percent of our fire departments cannot respond within 4 minutes of receiving an alarm. The fire that engulfed the nightclub in Rhode Island is an unfortunate example of what we are dealing with in regard to fire fighting and fire safety. The fire department arrived within 5 minutes of the fire starting, which is exceptionally fast, yet 100 people died that night. Most of them died within 2 minutes of the fire starting.

Addressing the equipment and training of the fire service is one very important component to fighting fires. We've begun to address this need in recent years with the Firefighter Investment and Response Enhancement